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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action of June 20, 2002, for which a one month extension of time to respond is hereby requested, please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 52, 60, 68, and 69 without prejudice or disclaimer, and enter the following new claims:

(New) A composite material comprising:

a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;

b. wherein said fixing polytion contains